In the Claims

The status of claims in the case is as follows:

1.   [Currently amended]   A method for creating a user profile for a user authorized by a customer company to access services provided by an enterprise, comprising the steps of:

preparing for each new said user a profile entry including a user identifier and a company group identifier;

responsive to access by said authorized user, obtaining a profile entry for said authorized user;

responsive to said profile entry not including company code and location indicia, displaying to said user descriptions of locations for said company group, each company group of a plurality of distinct company groups including one or more related companies which use the same accounting codes and procedures, with accounting codes and procedures that vary between company groups; and

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responsive to user selection of a said location
description, populating to said profile entry the
corresponding company code and location code.

2. [Currently amended] A method for creating a user
profile for a user authorized by a customer company to
access services provided by an enterprise, comprising the
steps of

on a periodic basis, receiving from each said customer
company within a company group a file containing a list
of all employees authorized by a company to use said
services;

merging said files into a company group file of
authorized users;

with reference to said company group file, building a
user profile entry for each new said authorized user,
said user profile entry including company group indicia
but not including accounting code indicia not provided
by said customer company;

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responsive to a request from a requester to access said

services, reading said user profile entry for said

requester;

responsive to said profile entry not including said

accounting code indicia for said requester, displaying

to said requester descriptions of code indicia for said

company group, each company group of a plurality of

distinct company groups including one or more related

companies which use the same accounting codes and

procedures, with accounting codes and procedures that

vary between company groups; and

responsive to user selection of a code indicia

description, populating to said profile entry

corresponding accounting code indicia.

3.   [Original]   The method of claim 2, said accounting code

indicia including company code and location code indicia.

4.   [Original]   The method of claim 2, further comprising

the steps of:

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merging said files into a merged file in a hub server within a customer system;

transmitting said merged file to a staging table within an enterprise system server.

5.   [Original]   The method of claim 4, further comprising the steps of:

building a plant code table including for each company code and location code combination associated with a company group a requester intelligible location description; and

displaying said requester intelligible location descriptions associated with said company group in a selection list to said requester when said accounting indicia is not included in said user profile for said requester.

6.   [Original]   The method of claim 5, said transmitting step occurring through a firewall, and said displaying step

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occurring through a secure network.

7.   [Original]   The method of claim 6, said secure network being a frame relay network.

8.   [Currently amended]   System for creating a user profile for a user authorized by a customer company to access services provided by an enterprise, comprising:

a profile table including for each authorized user a profile entry including a user identifier and a company group identifier, each company group of a plurality of distinct company groups including one or more related companies which use the same accounting codes and procedures, with accounting codes and procedures that vary between company groups;

application code responsive to a request by a new authorized user for access to said services for displaying a selection list of descriptions of accounting indicia necessary to process said request;

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said application code being further responsive to user

selection of a description of accounting indicia for

populating to said profile entry said accounting

indicia.

9.   [Original] The system of claim 8, said application

code identifying a new user as an authorized user from whcih

said profile entry does not include said accounting indicia.

10.   [Original] The system of claim 8, said accounting

indicia including company code and location code.

11.   [Original] The system of claim 10, further comprising

a plant code table including for each combination of company

code and location code associated with a company group a

corresponding said description of accounting indicia.

12.   [Original] The system of claim 11, said description of

said accounting indicia being text comprehensible to said

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user.

13.   [Currently amended]   A program storage device readable
by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions
executable by a machine to perform method steps for creating
a user profile for a user authorized by a customer company
to access services provided by an enterprise, said method
steps comprising:

> preparing for each new said user a profile entry
> including a user identifier and a company group
> identifier;

> responsive to access by said authorized user, obtaining
> a profile entry for said authorized user;

> responsive to said profile entry not including company
> code and location indicia, displaying to said user
> descriptions of locations for said company group, each
> company group of a plurality of distinct company groups
> including one or more related companies which use the
> same accounting codes and procedures, with accounting
> codes and procedures that vary between company groups;
> and

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responsive to user selection of a said location

description, populating to said profile entry the

corresponding company code and location code.

14.   [Currently amended]   A program storage device readable

by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions

executable by a machine to perform method steps for creating

a user profile for a user authorized by a customer company

to access services provided by an enterprise, said method

steps comprising:

on a periodic basis, receiving from each said customer

company within a company group a file containing a list

of all employees authorized by a company to use said

services;

merging said files into a company group file of

authorized users;

with reference to said company group file, building a

user profile entry for each new said authorized user,

said user profile entry including company group indicia

but not including accounting code indicia not provided

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by said customer company;

responsive to a request from a requester to access said
services, reading said user profile entry for said
requester;

responsive to said profile entry not including said
accounting code indicia for said requester, displaying
to said requester descriptions of code indicia for said
company group, each company group of a plurality of
distinct company groups including one or more related
companies which use the same accounting codes and
procedures, with accounting codes and procedures that
vary between company groups; and

responsive to user selection of a code indicia
description, populating to said profile entry
corresponding accounting code indicia.

15.   [Currently amended]   A computer program product or
computer program element for creating a user profile for a
user authorized by a customer company to access services
provided by an enterprise according to method steps

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comprising:

preparing for each new said user a profile entry
including a user identifier and a company group
identifier;

responsive to access by said authorized user, obtaining
a profile entry for said authorized user;

responsive to said profile entry not including company
code and location indicia, displaying to said user
descriptions of locations for said company group, each
company group of a plurality of distinct company groups
including one or more related companies which use the
same accounting codes and procedures, with accounting
codes and procedures that vary between company groups;
and

responsive to user selection of a said location
description, populating to said profile entry the
corresponding company code and location code.

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